## **Announcement of Promotional Examination**

## **HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR**

## Milwaukee Fire Department

## Requirements:

- (1) You must have served continuously as a Firefighter or Fire Paramedic in the Milwaukee Fire Department for at least two years as of July 26, 2012. The following exceptions apply: Time spent on military leave or duty disability will count toward the actual years of service requirement. Unpaid absences of 30 cumulative days or less for non-disciplinary reasons including education leaves or leaves of absence related to physical disabilities such as maternity leave, sick leave or leaves which qualify under the Family and Medical Leave Act or absences of 5 cumulative eight-hour working days or less or 2 cumulative twenty-four hour working days or less for disciplinary reasons will be considered to be continuous service but the applicant must have the required years of actual service.
- (2) You must be qualified by the Vehicle Operations Office on at least one engine and one ladder truck by April 13, 2012.
- (3) You must be currently certified as an EMT-B and have met all refresher requirements.
- (4) You must have a valid regular driver's license. Motor Vehicle Department records will be checked. Candidates with licenses found to be revoked or suspended will be disqualified.

Notes: (1) State certification as pumping driver/operator and aerial driver/operator is highly desirable, but not required.

- (2) Employees who are promoted from the Firefighter classification to the Heavy Equipment Operator classification shall be appointed to the top pay step.
- (3) At least one year of service as a regularly appointed Heavy Equipment Operator (not in an acting capacity) will substitute for a maximum of one year of the experience requirement for the Fire Lieutenant examination. No substitution will be granted for less than one year of Heavy Equipment Operator experience.
- (4) If you will be unavailable for one or more portions of this examination due to military service or training and wish to request an accommodation, you must submit such a request in writing to the attention of Toni Vanderboom at the address below no later than April 13, 2012.
- (5) Pending analysis of other positions, service as a Heavy Equipment Operator may be used as a prerequisite for future promotional opportunities.

**Duties:** Heavy Equipment Operators drive and operate firefighting apparatus and have responsibility for related functions including properly placing the vehicle, providing a water supply, putting pumps into operation, maintaining necessary flow and pressure, setting up master streams, operating aerial ladders and putting into use any equipment carried on the apparatus. They participate actively in firefighting operations. They perform routine maintenance of the apparatus and related equipment. They provide emergency medical services.

**Applications:** You can get an application in quarters, at the Safety Academy, or at the Fire and Police Commission (FPC), Room 706, City Hall, 200 East Wells Street, beginning Monday, March 16, 2012. You may return your completed application to the Fire and Police Commission via regular or interdepartmental mail, or in person. Your application must be received in the FPC's office no later than **4:45 p.m. on Friday, April 13, 2012.** Candidates are responsible for assuring that applications are received prior to the deadline. The FPC is not responsible for applications not received.

**Examination:** The examination will consist of:

Written and Performance Tests 90% Written 40%

Performance 60%

Seniority <u>10%</u> 100%

Candidates must attain a passing score on the written test to be scheduled for the performance test. They must also attain a passing score on each portion of the performance test to be placed on the eligible list. Promotion is contingent upon passing a drug screen test. The eligible list resulting from this examination will remain in effect for two years unless rescinded or extended by the Board.

The written test is scheduled at **5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 15, 2012** at the Safety Academy, Room 182. Qualified candidates will <u>not</u> receive further notice regarding the test date and should appear for the test at the scheduled time and place.

The performance test is scheduled between June 11 and June 15, 2012. Testing may not be scheduled on all days. Candidates passing the written test will be notified of the specific date, time and place of the performance test. Applicants will be notified of any changes in schedule of either the written or performance test.

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